

ABQ, First	(5)	Ron Halbgewachs, Ramona MacLeod, Kirsten Marr, Anna Medendorp, Ben Wild
ABQ, Immanuel	(2)	Gene Brooks, Roy Morgan
ABQ, La Mesa	(3)	Judy Belvin, Robert Robie
ABQ, New Life	(1)	Nancy Sutton
ABQ, Rio Grande	(1)	Marsha Bedell
ABQ, St. Andrew	(3)	Max Bartlett, Anna Creamer, Phil Witherspoon
ABQ, Sandia	(6)	Samantha Giammatteo, Linda Marsh, William Marsh, Kwaku Sraha, Tim Strongin
ABQ, Second	(3)	Susie Chang, Francis Chang, Abel McBride
ABQ, Shepherd of the Valley	(4)	Bryan Beck, Charlie Garcia, Woodrow Rushing, John Sewell
Aztec	(1)	Kris Jones
Belen, First	(1)	Linda Wilson
Chacon, El Rito	(1)	Shirley Sandoval
Cuba	(1)	Ross Smith
Dixon, Embudo	(1)	Betty Mascareñas
Jemez Springs	(1)	Sigrid Stewart
Laguna, United	(1)	Lou Ann Johnson
Las Vegas, United	(1)	Karyl Lyne
Los Alamos, White Rock	(1)	Ken Holmes
Peñasco, Emmanuel	(1)	Nelson Lopez
Placitas, Las Placitas	(2)	Christine Mink, Virginia Watkins
Raton, First	(1)	Shirley Brooks
Rio Rancho	(3)	George Austin, Marj Austin, Hazel Lathrop
Santa Fe, First	(4)	Judy Crawford, Judi Haines, Steve Kinnett
Santa Fe, Westminster	(1)	Margi Coxwell
Socorro, First	(1)	Ted Baca
Taos, First	(1)	John Abeln

Churches Not Represented by Elder Commissioners

Angel Fire, United	(1)
Chimayo, El Buen Pastor	(1)
Datil, Community	(1)
Farmington, First	(4)
Gallup, Westminster	(1)
Glenwood	(1)
Grants, First	(1)
Los Alamos, United	(1)
Magdalena, Community	(1)
Mora, First	(1)
Ranchos de Taos, Ranchos	(1)
Truchas, Smith Memorial	(1)

Former Moderators in Attendance

Bryan Beck (also listed as an elder commissioner)
Marty Bruner

Nelson Capitan
Margaret Franke
Kay Huggins (also listed under MWS)
Elizabeth Morgan
Conrad M. Rocha
Rob Woodruff (also listed under MWS)
Frank Yates (also listed under MWS)

Officers of the Presbytery and Committee Moderators in Attendance

Bill Belvin
Judy Belvin (also listed under Elder Commissioners)
Tanya Blankinship
George Huggins
Ruth Montoya
Roger Scott Powers (also listed under MWS)
Kathy Rhoades
Stephen Rhoades
Susan Keil Smith
Gay Veit (also listed under Commissioned Pastors)

Excused

MWS/CPs/Certified Christian Educator Members:

Claudia Aguilar	Andrew Black	Ann Graham-Johnson
Trey Hammond	Tom Hart	Drew Henry
Dori Hjalmarson	Bill Humphreys	Ed Katzenberger
Lorelei Kay	Richard Safford	

Teaching Elders/CREs/ Certified Christian Educator Members Not Excused:

Lisa Easterling	Richard Gould	Suzanne Hewett
Laura Kuster	Linda Loving	Craig Nakagawa
Jeff Pearson	Ruth Reinhold	

III. DOCKET

Presbytery APPROVED the following Docket as submitted. Presbytery also APPROVED the Rules of Decorum.

GATHERING AS THE PRESBYTERY

9:00 AM Registration opens

9:30 AM New Commissioner Orientation Multipurpose Room Behind Parlor

10:00 AM Call to Order Seth Finch, Moderator Elect

Convene with Prayers Bryan Beck, LouAnn Johnson, Tony Aja

Declaration of Quorum Stephen Rhoades, Stated Clerk

Approval of Docket (#1) and Rules of Decorum (#1a)

Action: That the Presbytery adopt the docket for this meeting, as submitted/as amended, subject to adjustment as may be necessary and at the discretion of the Presbytery Moderator.

Action: That the Presbytery adopt the Rules of Decorum (#1a), as attached to and made a part of this proposed docket.

Acknowledgement of Whose Land We are Meeting on Seth Finch

Welcome from Immanuel Presbyterian Church Brian Merritt, Pastor

Seating of Corresponding Members

Action: That the Presbytery seat the following corresponding members, with voice but without vote (the Stated Clerk will provide the list).

Introduction of New Commissioners

Approval of Presbytery Minutes

Action: That the Presbytery approve the October 2018 Presbytery Minutes (#2)

Any minor spelling/editing to the minutes can be handed (in writing) to the Stated Clerk.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Action: That the Presbytery approve the consent agenda (#1b)

Appointment of New Business Committee (*Please give new business items and any items that need to be pulled from the consent agenda #1b to the Stated Clerk no later than 11:45 a.m.) The moderator will appoint seven people to serve on the New Business Committee.

Reports from Officers of the Presbytery

10:15 AM Report from the Moderator Elect Seth Finch

10:20 AM Report from Stated Clerk (#4) Stephen Rhoades
Presentation of Book of Order Amendments and Vote

Motion: VOTE (each amendment listed individually) on the amendments to the Book of Order

Motion: APPROVE the following dates and locations for 2020 Stated Presbytery Meetings
February 22, 2020 – Albuquerque, La Mesa
July 18, 2020 – First, Las Vegas
October 17-18, 2020 – Ghost Ranch

Administrative Commission for Glenwood Community Presbyterian Church

Judy Belvin, Jeff Finch, Richard Stoops

Special Administrative Review Committee (First, Raton)

Richard Safford

Report of Meeting of Mission Engagement & Support Team from the Presbyterian Mission Agency

Recognition of Congregations Participating in All Four Special Offerings

11:20 AM RECESS AND CONVENING OF THE CORPORATION, The Presbytery of Santa Fe, a New Mexico Corporation. Stephen Rhoades

Action: That the Presbytery recess and convene the Corporation, The Presbytery of Santa Fe, for the purpose of electing corporate officers, with prayer.

- 1) Our Presbytery Bylaws provide that the Presbytery establishes a Board of Trustees which shall be responsible for fulfilling the corporate responsibilities of The Presbytery of Santa Fe.
- 2) The members of the Finance and Property Committee and the Ecclesiastical Officers of the Presbytery shall comprise the Board of Trustees of the Presbytery.
- 3) The Officers of the Board of Trustees shall be a President, who is the Moderator of the Presbytery; a Secretary, who is the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery; and a Treasurer, who is the Treasurer of the Presbytery.

Action: That the Presbytery elect the following persons to serve as officers of the Corporation, The Presbytery of Santa Fe, a New Mexico Corporation,

effective January 1, 2019: Elder Jane Stringfellow, President; Elder Bill Belvin, Treasurer; Elder Stephen Rhoades, Secretary

Action: That the Corporation adjourn and reconvene as The Presbytery of Santa Fe, a mid council of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), with prayer.

HEARING THE STORIES OF OTHERS

- 11:25 AM – Faith Sharing (#12a) Asher Dean, Member-at-Large
- 11:30 AM – Reports from Our Partners in Ministry
Synod of the Southwest Conrad Rocha
- 11:35 AM – Cuba Work Group Susan Keil Smith
- 11:40 AM – Spotlight on our Churches WNC
- 11:45 AM – Commission on Preparation for Ministry
Introduction of Inquirer Christin Moreland Gay Veit
- 11:55 AM – Announcements, Celebrations and Concerns
- 12:00 PM - Lunch

ECCLESIAL MATTERS

Reports from Commissions, Committees & Teams

- 1:00 PM Report from Coordinating Team (#20)
- 1:05 PM Report from Personnel Committee (#70) Susan Keil Smith
Introduction of Chad Poole
- 1:10 PM Report from Stewardship Team Nelson Capitan
- 1:15 PM Report from Finance & Property Committee (#60) Kathy Rhoades
- 1:20 PM Treasurer’s Report (#60s) Bill Belvin
- 1:25 PM Explanation of Investment Policy Carol Cochran
- 1:35 PM Faith Sharing Mary Kuhns, Parish Associate, First Santa Fe
- 1:40 PM Report from Commission on Ministry (#12) David Elton

Recognition of Retirement of Tony Aja

- 1:45 PM Report from Mission Networking Committee
Lorelei Kay/Roger Scott Powers
- 1:50 PM Report from Young Adult Volunteer/Youth Coordinator Luke Rembold
- 1:55 PM Faith Sharing (#12b) Jayne Ruiz, Designated Pastor, First Belen
- 2:00 PM Report from Committee on Representation & Participation
Ruth Montoya
- 2:05 PM YAVocate – Story from a former YAV Claire Lewis
- 2:10 PM – Spotlight on our Churches MNC- John and Kathy Mezoff
- 2:15 PM New Business (if any)
- 2:20 PM Announcements, Celebrations and Concerns

WORSHIPPING TOGETHER

- 2:30 PM – Worship including the Lord’s Supper and Commissioning of Triennium Delegates
(For order of worship, see additional printed packet)
Shared Table – Immanuel Mission Outreach
- 3:30 PM –Adjourn with Benediction

Blessings and safe travel to you all!

Report #1a

RULES OF DECORUM

Enabling Motions:

1. That these be the guidelines for the conducting of business at this meeting:
 - a. Out of courtesy, when Presbytery is debating, all remarks shall be addressed to the moderator and shall be made from the floor.
 - b. In the interest of time and to allow as many as possible to speak, speeches will be strictly limited to 2 minutes. Persons wishing to speak should move to the appropriate microphone. So there is clarity, a speaker should begin by saying,

- “I speak for (or against) the amendment...” The moderator will rotate between calling on a person in favor, and then a person opposed, etc.
- c. Remarks shall be confined to the pending question. The moderator will interrupt if in his/her judgment the speaker has drifted from the pending question.
 - d. Commissioners may not refer adversely to prior acts of Presbytery not pending now.
 - e. Remarks shall not impugn another commissioner or that person’s motives.
 - f. Distribution of reports or documents shall not be done during the meeting.
 - g. Commissioners shall not disturb the meeting, by applause or verbal response to remarks made by a commissioner, or in response to a vote.
 - h. Each commissioner may speak twice on a subject but may not speak the second time until everyone who wishes has spoken.

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF WHOSE LAND WE ARE MEETING ON

Moderator-Elect Seth Finch read the following statement written by moderator Jane Stringfellow acknowledging whose land we are meeting on.

Traveling south on I-25 from Santa Fe to Albuquerque this morning, I passed by the Cochiti Reservation and drove through the Santo Domingo, San Felipe, Santa Ana and Sandia Reservations. I have made this drive hundreds of times, but in the last year, when I learned for the first time about the Doctrine of Discovery, driving through these reservations has an entirely new meaning for me. I am both saddened and humbled by the cruelty of my European ancestors, but I have a new-found respect for the indigenous peoples that were the original inhabitants of our state as well as a sincere respect and love for those of you whom I have gotten to know because our paths have crossed in a very personal way due to our work together on behalf of the Presbytery of Santa Fe.

So, I begin our meeting today by acknowledging, with respect and humility, upon whose land we are gathered. Imagine yourself in a time machine that is propelling you way, way back in time at least 12,000 years. What do you see when you arrive? You observe Paleo-Indian hunter-gathers roaming the land upon which Albuquerque, NM was founded centuries later. Gradually, these nomadic people adopted a more agricultural life style and by 750 CE began to build multi-story stone or adobe dwellings, known as pueblos. The Albuquerque area was settled by the Tewa people beginning around 1250, and by the 1500s, there were around 20 Tewa pueblos along a 60-mile stretch of the middle Rio Grande valley. Surely, those of us gathered here at Immanuel Presbyterian Church stand upon hallowed ground, ground that belonged to the ancestors of our Native American friends and colleagues in the Presbytery of Santa Fe. Blessed be this ground and blessed be all peoples who have walked and who continue to walk upon it.

A Native American Wisdom Saying

*Treat the earth well.
It was not given to you by your parents,
it was loaned to you by your children.
We do not inherit the Earth from our Ancestors,*

we borrow it from our Children.

V. WELCOME AND ARRANGEMENTS

MWS Brian Merritt, interim pastor at Immanuel Presbyterian in Albuquerque, welcomed the Presbytery to the church.

VI. CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

The Presbytery WELCOMED the following corresponding members and GAVE them privilege of the floor: Robin Thomas (Associate Stated Clerk, Synod of the Southwest); Margaret Crowl (Newton Presbytery); and Conrad Rocha (Synod of the Southwest). Mark Gerardis from The Insurance Board was also introduced.

VII. NEW COMMISSIONERS

The Presbytery WELCOMED all first-time commissioners introduced at the meeting.

VIII. PRESBYTERY MINUTES

The approval of the October Presbytery Minutes was postponed until the June Presbytery meeting due to technical problems.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

Presbytery APPROVED the following consent agenda:

1. That the roll for this meeting of Presbytery be made up of those persons whose names have been recorded at the registration desk
2. That Presbytery grant to the Moderator the authority to grant privilege of the floor to persons for the purpose of reporting to this meeting.
3. That the Moderator and Stated Clerk be empowered to make adjustments in the docket during the meeting, as may be necessary, to provide for efficiency in reporting.
4. Receive all written reports (#4, #10, #12, #14, #20, #60, #60a, #62, #62a, #63)

X. NEW BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Moderator Elect Seth Finch announced that the following persons were appointed to the New Business Committee for this meeting:

To Chair: MWS Ken Cuthbertson

Ruling Elders: John Abeln, Judi Haines, Marilyn Stoops, Linda Wilson

Commissioned Ruling Elder: Stephen Daniels

MWS: David Martinez

He announced that any new business for the meeting must be given in writing to the Stated Clerk by 11:45 a.m.

XI. MODERATOR’S REPORT

The Presbytery prayed for Moderator Jane Stringfellow and her husband Charlie who has been hospitalized several times after some falls. On behalf of the moderator, Seth Finch explained two new items that Moderator Stringfellow has added to the Presbytery docket. Each of our Networking Committees is asked to create a spotlight on what our churches are doing in the area of Education, Mission and Worship. We also will have a Shared Table where commissioners will bring items identified by the host church to the meeting. These will be brought forward at some point during the meeting as a visual representation of the mission work that our presbytery is carrying out in the world. The Presbytery then prayed for our brothers and sisters in the Methodist Church who are going through a time of conflict and discernment.

XII. STATED CLERK REPORT

- A. Stated Clerk, Stephen Rhoades, shared the process by which the presbytery would vote on the amendments to the Book of Order. Secret ballots were distributed to all voting commissioners. Stated Clerk Rhoades moved each amendment, explained pros and cons as provided by the PCUSA Advisory Committee on the Constitution (this information had also been posted in writing on the website prior to the meeting) and any other PCUSA committees that had commented on the amendment and then gave the presbytery time for discussion. Then the body was given time to record their written vote. Votes were tallied and the results are reported below.

The amendments considered were:

18-A. Election of Ruling Elders and Deacons

On Amending G-2.0401

Presbytery CONCURRED

18-B. Renunciation of Jurisdiction

18-B.1. On Amending G-2.0509

Presbytery CONCURRED

18-B.2. On Amending D-10.0401d

Presbytery CONCURRED

18-C. Officers – On Amending G-3.0104

Presbytery DECLINED TO CONCUR

18-D. Membership of Presbytery

On Amending G-3.0306
Presbytery CONCURRED

18-E. Pastor, Counselor, and Advisor
On Amending G-3.0307
Presbytery CONCURRED

18-F. Welcoming to the Table
On Amending W-4.0202
Presbytery CONCURRED

18-G. Disciplinary Offense
On Amending D-2.0203b
Presbytery CONCURRED

18-H. Time Limit
18-H.1. On Amending D-10.0401b
Presbytery CONCURRED

18-H.2. On Amending D-10.0401c(1)
Presbytery CONCURRED

B. Presbytery **APPROVED** the following dates and locations for the 2020 Stated Presbytery Meetings

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- C. The Administrative Commission for Glenwood Community Presbyterian Church reported that the church will be dissolved on March 3, 2019. Lorna Kuyk will attend that last service representing the presbytery. At the request of the Administrative Commission, the Coordinating Team approved a \$500 grant to the scholarship fund of the Glenwood Community Church. Led in prayer by Stated Clerk Stephen Rhoades, the presbytery gave thanks for the work of the church over the years.
- D. The Special Administrative Review Committee for First Presbyterian in Raton has been formed. Members are Rev. Richard Safford (chair), Rev. Virginia Bairby, RE Beth Miller, RE Toby Montoya, Rev. Katie Palmer. A SARC is formed to listen, review, study and make recommendations. There was no interim report. Moderator Seth Finch prayed for the church and for the Special Administrative Review Committee.
- E. The Stated Clerk reported on the visit of 16 members of the Mission Engagement & Support Team of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. They visited with a variety of organizations in this area including Menaul School, Laguna United Presbyterian, our Young Adult Volunteers and Luke Rembold (YAV Coordinator), leadership in our presbytery and synod, and then worshipped at 10 of our churches on Sunday morning. They also recognized those congregations who had

participated in all four special offerings with certificates on Sunday morning. Stated Clerk Stephen Rhoades read the names of all 15 congregations that were recognized and presented a certificate to those who had not already received one.

- F. The Presbytery RECESSED and CONVENED the Corporation, The Presbytery of Santa Fe, for the purpose of electing corporate officers, with prayer.
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The Presbytery ELECTED the following persons to serve as officers of the Corporation, The Presbytery of Santa Fe, a New Mexico Corporation, effective January 1, 2019: Elder Jane Stringfellow, President; Elder Bill Belvin, Treasurer; Elder Stephen Rhoades, Secretary

The Corporation ADJOURNED and RECONVENED as The Presbytery of Santa Fe, a mid council of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), with prayer.

XIII. FAITH SHARING

Moderator Elect Finch introduced MWS Asher Dean, who is joining as a member-at-large. He transferred his membership Sialkot Pakistan Presbytery. He shared some of his faith journey.

XIV. SHARING FROM OUR PARTNERS

Conrad Rocha shared news of the Synod of the Southwest. He acknowledged the gifts of the many members of the Presbytery of Santa Fe involved in Synod work. He then invited the Associate Stated Clerk/Executive Assistant Robin Thomas to come forward. She and her husband Ray Thomas are leaving to become the Co-Executive Presbyters of Middle Tennessee Presbytery. The Presbytery of Santa Fe presented Robin with a gift and thanked her for her service to the Synod.

XV. CUBA WORK GROUP

Susan Keil Smith, chair of the Cuba Work Group, alerted the Presbytery to the difficult situations that our Cuban brothers and sisters are facing including food shortages. She let the Presbytery know that there will be a trip sometime in November.

XVI. WORSHIP NETWORKING SPOTLIGHT ON OUR CHURCHES

Katie Palmer, pastor at First United Presbyterian Las Vegas, and Karyl Lyne, commissioner from First United Presbyterian, did a skit highlighting how the church uses visuals during different seasons in the church to remind the church of what they are studying or focusing on during this time.

XV. COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Commissioned Pastor Gay Veit, chair of CPM, came forward to give the CPM report. Daniel Williams, who is a member at Immanuel, where this meeting was taking place, was introduced. He was moved by the Commission from Inquirer to Candidate. Brian Merritt, Interim Pastor at Immanuel, prayed for Daniel.

CPM member Ken Cuthbertson then introduced Christin Moreland as a new inquirer. Christin has been working in the presbytery office and will begin seminary at Pittsburgh Seminary in the fall. Ken led the presbytery in prayer for Christin.

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Several members of the Presbytery stood to share joys, concerns and announcements with the body.

The presbytery recessed for lunch at 12 noon.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

XVII. COORDINATING TEAM

The Coordinating Team provided a written report which was received under the consent agenda and contained the following.

ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER AUTHORITY AS A COMMISSION

APPROVED \$10,000 from Peacemaking Offering to be sent to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

APPROVED \$5,000 from Peacemaking Offering to be allocated towards a Native American conference or events supporting Native American causes.

APPROVED \$500 from Church in Crisis Fund to give to the Glenwood church for their Scholarship Fund as requested by the Glenwood Administrative Commission.

APPROVED Tanya Blankinship as co-chair of ENC.

APPROVED THE FOLLOWING:

RESOLVED, that the Coordinating Team determines that it is empowered to act on behalf of the Presbytery between presbytery meetings with regard to the loan application of First Presbyterian Church of Belen under the Claude L. Morton Fund Loan administered by the Synod of the Southwest because this loan approval is a time sensitive issue and needs to be addressed now but does not warrant calling a special presbytery meeting.

IT IS, FURTHER, RESOLVED, that the Presbytery of Santa Fe shall assist First Presbyterian Church of Belen by signing the Presbytery Approval portion of the Claude L. Morton Fund loan application and be bound by those Presbytery Approval provisions.

IT IS, FINALLY, RESOLVED, that the Stated Clerk should be and hereby is authorized to sign the Presbytery Approval portion of the Claude L. Morton Fund loan application on behalf of the Presbytery.

A motion was made, seconded and passed as follows:

Pursuant to G-4.0206a of the Book of Order, the Presbytery of Santa Fe hereby consents to the encumbrance of the real property owned by the First Presbyterian Church of Belen to secure the Claude L. Morton Fund loan, if a mortgage is requested by the Synod of the Southwest.

C. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

CT asked Mission Networking Committee to continue the conversation with our Native American brothers and sisters including the Doctrine of Discovery and to plan some possible events that would continue this conversation.

CT asked the Stewardship Team to develop a policy on churches and individuals soliciting funds at presbytery meetings and to bring it back to CT for approval.

CT encouraged the Leadership Team to have a conversation with the Revitalization and Development Team about their role, especially concerning new faith communities and to report back to CT at their next meeting.

Granted the Stated Clerk permission to apply for an exemption for property taxes for the John Hyson property in Chimayo.

XVIII. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Susan Keil Smith, chair of the Personnel Committee, introduced Financial Assistant Chad Poole to the Presbytery.

XIX. STEWARDSHIP TEAM

Stewardship Team member, Ruling Nelson Capitan, encouraged the Presbytery to be generous in their giving.

XX. FINANCE AND PROPERTY

Ruling Elder Kathy Rhoades, chair of F&P, gave the Finance & Property report. She invited Treasurer Bill Belvin forward to present the financial reports.

Ruling Elder Bill Belvin presented the Treasurer's report, and noted that the Presbytery's balance sheet remains strong. Presbytery RECEIVED the Treasurer's Report (ATTACHMENT A).

Kathy Rhoades then invited Finance & Property member Carol Cochran to explain the proposed Investment Policy. Presbytery APPROVED the Investment Policy (ATTACHMENT B).

XXI. FAITH SHARING

Moderator Elect Finch introduced MWS Mary Kuhns, who is Parish Associate at First Santa Fe. She transferred her membership from Mid-Kentucky Presbytery. She shared some of her faith journey.

XXII. COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

MWS David Elton, Co-Chair of the Commission on Ministry, presented the COM Report. The following report was received as part of the consent agenda:

A. **ACTION REQUIRING A VOTE BY PRESBYTERY:** None expected.

B. **ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER AUTHORITY AS A COMMISSION**

(No Presbytery Action Required)

1. NEW PASTORS RECEIVED AND/OR ORDAINED AND/OR INSTALLED

In December COM welcomed into the Presbytery the Rev. Asher Dean, coming here from Pakistan, as a member at large, effective December 7, 2018.

In February COM welcomed into Presbytery membership the Rev. Mary Kuhn, from the Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky, effective February 4, 2019.

In February COM approved the installation plans for the Rev. Jayne Ruiz at Belen, for Sunday, February 10, 2019, at 3:00 pm with Ruling Elders: Grace Sanchez, Belen; Ben Sanchez, Belen; Nelson Capitan, Laguna Pueblo; Donna Calkins, Belen; Bryan Beck, ABQ Shepherd of the Valley; Jane Stringfellow, Moderator of Presbytery, to Moderate; Ministers of Word and Sacrament: Kay Huggins, David Martinez, Takako Terino, Jerry Kuyk; and Stephen Miller, Christian Church, Disciples of Christ.

2. MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERY TRANSFERRED:

In December COM approved the dissolution of the Call between the Rev. Michele Goff and the Aztec Presbyterian Church, effective December 15, 2018, following the November 18, 2018, meeting of the Congregation; In February COM approved her transfer to Grace Presbytery effective January 6, 2019.

3. CONTRACTS APPROVED for Temporary Pastoral Positions:

Stated Supply/Interim/Commissioned Pastor:

In December COM approved the renewing contract between the Rev. Linda Loving and the Session at Dixon, Embudo.

Commissioned Pastor:

In January COM approved the renewing contract between Stephen Daniels, CP, and the Session at Peñasco.

Parish Associate:

In November COM approved the Covenant for Parish Associate for Ruling Elder Marjorie Davison and the Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church.

In February COM approved the contracts presented for Jim Collie with ABQ La Mesa, Frank Yates with ABQ First, Kay Huggins with ABQ Second, and Larry Graham-Johnson with Truchas and Chimayo.

In February COM approved the contract for Ann Graham-Johnson with Chimayo and Truchas pending changes to the arrangements for Continuing Education.

In February COM approved the jointly-presented contracts for Gay Veit and Shirley Sandoval with Las Vegas, First; Mora, First; and Chacon, El Rito; and recommended that their contracts be presented separately in the future.

In February COM welcomed the Rev. Mary Kuhns into membership of the Presbytery and approved her contract as Parish Associate at Santa Fe, First,

4. CHANGE IN MINISTERIAL STATUS: No other changes in status are effective at this time.

5. TRIENNIAL VISITS COMPLETED:

On October 17, 2018, the COM triennial visit was conducted with the pastor and session at ABQ Covenant.

On October 18, 2018, the COM triennial visit was conducted with the pastor and church council at Angel Fire.

6. EXAMINATIONS APPROVED / EXIT INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED:

7. APPROVED MISSION STATEMENTS (MIF's) / JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

In November COM approved the MIF for ABQ Immanuel, with expected editorial amendments.

In February COM agreed with the PNC and Session at White Rock to expand their pastoral search to add “half-time” to the search earlier identified as full time.

8. SESSION MODERATORS APPOINTED:

In December COM approved that COM member John Sitler would moderate the coming congregational meeting at Grants.

In December COM appointed Lorna Kuyk as moderator of Session at Aztec for December and January.

9. SABBATICAL PLANS:

In January COM approved plans for Lorelei Kay to be on sabbatical from Gallup, Westminster for June – August, 2019

10. THE PULPIT SUPPLY LIST:

In November, the Rev. Lynn West (NYC Presbytery) was added to the Pulpit Supply List.

In December, the Rev. Asher Dean, new member at large, was added to the Pulpit Supply List; and returned the Rev. Catherine Robinson to the List.

11. ADDITIONAL ACTIONS:

In November COM agreed to support a request for debt relief for one of the presbytery’s clergy members.

In November COM adopted the policy that effective January 1, 2019, pastoral calls will include that the time and funds for Continuing Education may accumulate for up to three years.

In November, COM approved the updated Terms of Call form.

11. MEMORIAL NOTES:

In December COM noted the November 29, 2018 death of the Rev. Ray Kersting, with thanksgiving to God for Ray’s ministry in and beyond this Presbytery of Santa Fe.

COM NOTES

An appointed group of COM members serves as a preliminary search team for recommending to local sessions a small number of applicants for positions such as Designated Pastor and Interim Pastors. The convener of this small group is the Rev. Catherine Robinson.

In December COM asked the COM Consultant, Bill Humphreys, to write to neighboring presbyteries to identify this presbytery's search for pastoral leadership opportunities in somewhat unusual situations, not so unusual here, such as part-time positions in smaller communities that might benefit from more specific attention from E.P.s or COM moderators. (One such contact may lead to a good match in a coming meeting of COM!)

In December COM offered sincere thanks for the work of COM members leaving COM in 2018: Bill Lumm and Lorna Kuyk.

In February, COM agreed to move the regular COM June meeting from June 7 to June 14. (Note: COM meets regularly on the First Friday of each month except for skipping July if the flow of COM matters allows.)

IMPORTANT: As reported also at the October, 2017 meeting of the Presbytery, COM adopted the following changes to the presbytery's minimum terms of call: Raise the minimum salary by slightly more than 10% over a three-year period.

2017: \$1000, resulting in a minimum salary of \$40,500

2018 \$1500, resulting in a minimum salary of \$42,000

2019 \$1500, resulting in a minimum salary of \$43,500

Monthly COM meetings include devotions led by an assigned member of COM, and the celebration of anniversaries of ordination for clergy members of the Presbytery and anniversary dates of the establishment of congregations!

The monthly meetings of COM regularly include training sessions.

COM ROSTER: Class year, name, RE for ruling elders; MWS for Ministers of Word and Sacrament; (1st or 2nd term and start date for serving an unexpired term).

Judy Belvin and David Elton, co-moderators

2019 Ann Graham-Johnson MWS (1) Richard Safford MWS (1st plus; 1/18; 10/18)

Susan Quass MWS(1) John Sitler RE(1) Beverly Wilkins RE(1st;10/18)

Linda Wilson RE(1st; 9/17)

2020 Jim Brown MWS (2) Rob Craig MWS (2) David Elton MWS (1)

Kay Huggins MWS (1) Judith Mead RE (2) Beth Miller RE (2nd; 10/16)

2021 Bryan Beck RE (2) Judy Belvin RE (2) Stephen Daniels CP (2)

Robyn Kleinschmidt MWS (2) Catherine Robinson MWS (1) Frank Yates MWS (2)

COM Consultant Bill Humphreys MWS

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David Elton then invited MWS Antonio “Tony” Aja forward and recognized him on his retirement. He presented Tony with a gift from the presbytery.

XXIII. MISSION NETWORKING

Mission Networking Committee Co-Chair MWS Roger Scott Powers presented the MNC report. The committee is working on several things:

A Doctrine of Discovery Team has been formed and is continuing conversations with our Native American brothers and sisters. Sometime in May, they are planning a one day trip to Gallup to explore Native American issues. They are also developing a resources list regarding the Doctrine of Discovery that will be posted on the Presbytery website. A future discussion on Intergenerational Trauma among Native Americans will hopefully take place.

XXIV. YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERS

Luke Rembold, Youth and YAV Coordinator updated the presbytery on activities happening with both groups including the upcoming Triennium to which we are sending a delegation of 42.

The Presbytery then prayed for Commissioner Virginia Watkins from Las Placitas who had a health related event and was taken to the hospital.

XXV. FAITH SHARING

Moderator Elect Finch introduced MWS Jayne Ruiz, who is Designated Pastor at First Belen. She transferred her membership from Northern Kansas Presbytery. She shared some of her faith journey.

XXVI. COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION

Ruling Elder Ruth Montoya, chair of CORP, on behalf of CORP nominated MWS Asher Dean to the Education Networking Committee Class of 2021 & MWS Sarah Chivington Buck to the Worship Networking Committee Class of 2020. There being no nominations from the floor, the presbytery ELECTED these two people.

She then let the presbytery know that Ruling Elder Maribeth Culpepper had to resign as Chair of the Coordinating Team due to health issues. The presbytery prayed for Maribeth. She then nominated Ruling Elder Nelson Capitan to fill this unexpired term as Chair of CT until the October presbytery meeting. At that time he is eligible to serve two more one year terms as Chair of CT. There being no nominations from the floor, the Presbytery ELECTED Nelson Capitan.

XXVII. YAVOCATE

Claire Lewis shared her story of being a YAV with the Presbytery as a YAVocate for the national office

XXVIII. MISSION NETWORKING SPOTLIGHT ON OUR CHURCHES

John and Kathy Mezoff from Westminster in Gallup shared information about their church’s work with the Health Network and advocating for healthcare for all. They encouraged other churches to get involved.

XXIX. NEW BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Stated Clerk Stephen Rhoades announced that there was no new business.

XXX. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Several members of the Presbytery stood to share joys, concerns and announcements with the body.

XXXI. WORSHIP

The Presbytery meeting concluded with the celebration of the Lord's Supper and worship led by over 30 of our youth delegates to Triennium. The Presbytery brought forward baby food for a Shared Table that will be taken to a local food bank by members of Immanuel Presbyterian. The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 at the giving of the benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Rhoades
Stated Clerk